

UP-TO DATE
AND NEWSY

BEST SPORTING PAGE IN NEW YORK

EDITED BY
ROBERT EDGRENNEWS AND VIEWS
AND TIMELY GOSSIP
OF SPORT WORLD

Walter Hagen's Performance on Coast Gives a Strong Ray of Hope That the Open Golf Championship Cup Will Remain Here.

SOMEHOW the United States golf community managed to produce a champion when the most needed to international sporting events. Next month on the Ballymore links the greatest designation of golfers, the land ever met over will meet our best players for the open championship.

No formidable is the foreign invasion that many home experts already concede the title to England. Yet the performance of young Walter Hagen, the twenty-two-year-old national open title holder at the Panama-Pacific tournament, gives a strong ray of hope that the cup will remain here for another year.

Hagen won the Exposition title, playing 72 holes over the links of the San Francisco Golf and Country Club for a total of 286 strokes, which broke all records for the course.

Hagen is one of our young players who hasn't yet attained his greatest ability. He will be heard from at Ballymore.

JIM COFFEY, the "Fighting Irishman," is likely to get more money for boxing Al Reich at Madison Square Garden to-morrow night than he would have made in six years as a motorman. The tickets were put on sale for the first time yesterday and so many were sold that indications are Coffey will receive about \$6,000 for his end for thirty minutes' actual boxing.

There is tremendous interest in the bout, and if Reich hadn't recently been outpointed by Dan Flynn of Boston the chances are that the house would have drawn many thousands of dollars more than it now will. If it hadn't been for the defeat the promoters probably would have charged double the price they are now charging for the downstairs seats.

Reich is supremely confident that he will whip his Irish rival. He has met him many times in the gym, and it is reported that in these exhibitions he easily outpointed Billy Gibson's man. For this reason it is said, he feels sure that he will run away with the honors to-morrow night.

Coffey has a great record. He has won twenty-four of his thirty-eight battles by the K. O. route. Reich has an almost equally impressive K. O. record.

Coch Bernie Webers of Columbia has lost hope of enjoying the services of Capt. Frank Brady, the crack pugilist and quarter-master, of the Brown and Annapolis dual meets, as he is not likely to be taken off probation in his studies until June.

THIS will undoubtedly be a banner year locally for tennis. Not only will the All-Comers' tournament be staged at Forest Hills, L. I., by the West Side Club, but many other important tournaments will be put on.

It seems that everybody is getting the tennis fever. The New York A. C. has engaged a professional coach, William Goss, now instructor at a White Sulphur Springs (Va.) resort. He will report at the Traversa Island courts of the club at once, and all members of the organization will be able to get instructions from him.

The World has offered some handsome cups for prizes in a tournament to be conducted for the public park players, and Italian K. Myrick, President of the West Side Tennis Club, thinks it will be a great curtain-raiser for the All-Comers' championships.

The Harvard nine is having its troubles. Frank Fripp, who replaced at third Capt. Ayres, who is out of the game for the rest of the season on account of illness, is in the hospital with scarlet fever.

NO one was more delighted in the big gallery at Celtic Park when Hannes Kolehmainen created a new American amateur record for the fifteen miles than the Flying Finn himself. It convinced the Olympic champion that he hadn't lost any of his great speed and endurance from a winter of sickness and injuries.

The Finn established his latest mark at the Monument games, and it was his first competition in a long while. During the indoor season the Olympic winner was far from well. He suffered from nose bleeds when running, and it was feared the climate here didn't agree with him. He gradually lost weight and endurance. Hearing the advice of friends, Kolehmainen decided to take a long rest.

Just how much benefit he gained may be seen in the new record for the fifteen-mile distance of 1b. 23m. 4.55s., which shattered the former mark held by Jim Crowley for six years.

Brook Easy for Griffiths. AKRON, O., May 4.—Johnny Griffiths of Akron won here last night over Phil Brock of Cleveland in a twelve-round bout. Brock took an awful beating and was bleeding at the mouth at the finish, the bell saving him from a knockout.

Dundee Outpoints Kansas. BUFFALO, N. Y., May 4.—Johnny Dundee of New York fought Rock Kansas of Buffalo in a hurricane ten-round bout here last night. The last three rounds were the fastest ever seen here. The men exchanged wallop to toe. A rally by Kansas just failed to bring him up even with his rival.

GOLFERS MAY BE NORMAL, BUT THEY CERTAINLY DON'T SHOW IT!



Six Schoolboy Crews Practising on Harlem In Borrowed Shells

Private Clubs Have Come to the Aid of Young Oarsmen Who Will Compete in Big Regatta on May 30.

THERE are now six high school crews in training for the Memorial Day regatta of the Greater New York Rowing Association on the Harlem River. Every afternoon finds the youngsters out in their borrowed shells learning how to pull a racing oar without throwing up a mountain of spray.

A rowing race, such as the Memorial Day contest will be, is a new thing for the high school lads. They were invited to participate and plans were quickly made. The real training has only begun, and the high school rowers are taking up their new sport with all the enthusiasm of the college crews that race at New London and Poughkeepsie.

The youngsters had to overcome many obstacles before they could enter the Memorial Day race. De Witt Clinton and Newtown (L. I.) High Schools agreed to compete providing they could borrow boats. That was the toughest problem to solve—the shell question. Private clubs soon came to the aid of several of the schools. In the case of De Witt Clinton, the Lone Star Boat Club volunteered to furnish the boys with a shell, but it is doubtful if Newtown can be fixed up.

The case of Flushing High School is the State tax, then the rent, lighting, referees, preliminaries, advertising and club expenses. These expenses will take anywhere from 25 to 40 per cent, so it will be seen that the boys get 60 per cent, there isn't much of a chance of big profits, unless the card is an unusual one.

"The reason I think that the 7½ per cent tax will kill many of the clubs now running is because all of the clubs have to pay out just as much for the other expenses as now. It is the hardest thing in the world to convince the boxers, especially those from out of town, that the tax has to come out of the gross receipts. Many of them have an idea that the promoter takes this money for himself."

"Under the new order of things a promoter will have to do all kinds of economizing in order to make any money for himself. But he can do so if he sticks absolutely to business methods. Hundreds of clubs failed with the five per cent, tax—and with a seven and a half per cent, tax—Woe!"

"There isn't any reason why a promoter can't make money on every show. First, he must make matches between men of the same weight. You can't match a 250-lb. boxer against a 125-lb. boxer and expect to draw a good house. You must match men of the same ability."

"Freddie Welsh, the world's lightest champion, has drawn more money into the Garden than any other boxer. And would you believe it, Outside of the main bout there are numerous bills to pay. First, there

illustrates the handicaps the other schoolboys have to contend with. First a shell had to be secured. A friend of the school's kindly borrowed the shell the Yale eight used two years ago. Then the preparation of drilling the rowing candidates began.

A call was issued and it seemed as if every husky boy in the school considered himself an oarsman. They were all long on enthusiasm but woefully short on skill. The most promising-looking bunch of candidates was ordered to the rig by Coach Joe Atkinson, who volunteered his services and travels down to Flushing every afternoon to teach "his boys."

The elementary course of training, the next step was the barge, where the boys pulled an oar till their backs hurt.

Now the Flushing oarsmen are in their shell learning racing starts and other essentials that go to make up a fast eight. The Flushing shell is typical of the other high school shells. Every youngster could easily refute the assertion that rowing is a long race is injurious. They are big strapping boys. Roy Stowe, however, pulls a mighty oar, and they say down at Flushing every time he dips his paddle the boat shoots ahead as if driven by an engine.

The unusual activity of the Flushing eight this year has been caused by the defeat from the New Rochelle High last season. The Long Island crew hopes to even the score on the Harlem this month and many of the Flushing folks predict that the New Rochelle boat won't sail past the Long Island entry in the Memorial Day race.

In a letter received today from Al Lajoie, who is in Australia with the American fighters, Jeff Smith of Bayonne, N. J., Frank Longley of Philadelphia, and Jimmy Coffey, who is in England, he says he will sail for home on the steamer Sirota on May 10.

Matt Wells, the English welterweight, is on his way to the country for fights. He brother told Don Morgan today that he had received a cable from Matt stating that he would sail from England on May 1 and that he is fighting better than he has for years.

It is said that Paddy Donnelly, matchmaker of the American Sporting Club of Harlem, which was recently organized, is trying to arrange two ten-round bouts between Benny Leonard and Harry Stone and Knockout Brown and Harlem Palace Club for the club's opening show on May 14.

At the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Street Sporting Club tonight the card is: Betting Club vs. Harry Stanton, Young O'Leary vs. Young

STANDING OF THE CLUBS											
NATIONAL LEAGUE						AMERICAN LEAGUE					
Club	W.	L.	P.	Club	W.	L.	P.	Club	W.	L.	P.
Philadelphia	12	4	1	St. Louis	10	9	2	New York	10	4	1
Pittsburgh	11	5	1	Boston	7	10	2	Chicago	10	5	1
Cincinnati	8	7	2	Washington	6	12	2	St. Paul	9	7	1
Cleveland	9	8	2	New York	4	13	2	Washington	8	7	1

RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S GAMES											
NATIONAL LEAGUE						AMERICAN LEAGUE					
Philadelphia	12	4	1	St. Louis	10	9	2	New York	10	4	1
Pittsburgh	11	5	1	Boston	7	10	2	Chicago	10	5	1
Cincinnati	8	7	2	Washington	6	12	2	St. Paul	9	7	1
Cleveland	9	8	2	New York	4	13	2	Washington	8	7	1

FISTIC NEWS AND GOSSIP

By John Pollock

Another one of the stars of the middleweight class will make a desperate attempt tonight to win the championship from Al McCoy of Boston.

The fighter who will try to accomplish this feat is Jimmy Collins, one of the cleverest and hardest hitting fighters in the business. Jimmy has fought all the other topweights, including Mike Gibbons, George Chip, Eddie McGoorty, Dave Smith of Australia, Jeff Smith of Bayonne and Young Alcorn. Collins is a big, powerful, and fast fighter who will clash with many of the best fighters in the world.

Sam Walsh, manager of his brother, Lennie Cross, is receiving plenty of offers for fights. Tom Andrews, the American representative of "Heavy" Baker of Australia, has offered Lennie five bouts in Australia, with a guarantee of \$25,000 and an option of 25 per cent, each, but has passed it up.

Immediately after the contest between Johnny Dundee and Rocky Kansas, the Buffalo fighter, in Buffalo last night, Charley Murray, matchmaker of the showmen, A. C. of that city, signed up Dundee to meet Jimmy Duffy in a ten-round battle on May 24. This pair should draw a record crowd in that city.

Mike Neumann sends me a letter from Newark, N. J., to the effect that he did not run away with the results of the show held by the Long Acre A. C. on Friday night. Mike Greenbaum, another official of the club, declares otherwise, alleging that he had to borrow the money to pay the fighters for their services.

Dutch Bonetti, the Brooklyn bantamweight, who has been fighting in good form recently, has been matched to fight Mike Williams, the bantamweight champion, in a ten-round bout at the Broad Street Sporting Club of Brooklyn on May 15. Bonetti was compelled to call off his dogs and fight Lennie and Jimmy Murray on account of sickness, but is well again.

Charley White of Chicago will show the Boston fans his fighting skill in a ten-round bout with Eddie Murphy, the promising fighter of that city, in a twelve-round battle at the Atlas A. A., which is the largest boxing club in that city. Billy Rodin will referee the bout.

Joe Wagner puts over knockout in first round. Five local clubs held boxing shows yesterday, and the main bouts resulted as follows:

Ray Fisher of Yankees Has Adopted Matty's System of Pitching

Vermont Schoolmaster, as Yet Unbeaten, Lets Opponents Hit as Much as They Like When There Is Danger He Tightens Up.

By Bozeman Bulger.

IN the general scramble to proclaim Ray Caldwell one of the pitching wonders of the year, fans and experts are about to overlook the strength of another young gentleman who is rapidly setting up a mark that all of them can shoot at for some time. Ray Fisher, as yet unbeaten, handed the Athletics another trimming yesterday and, though he was hit freely at times, there was no tinning where he pitched himself into a hole and was in danger. While it may not appeal to one as it appears in the score, the fact that Philadelphia got twelve hits in itself a tribute to Fisher's skill. That always was Matty's system: Let them hit as much as they like when it doesn't count, but when there is danger tighten up. And Ray did it to a queen's taste.

Fisher has adopted this system so thoroughly that one veteran on the New York team, notwithstanding his admiration for Caldwell, bet a hat last night that the Vermont schoolmaster would have a better winning percentage at the end of the year than Caldwell.

This rivalry between the two means much for Donovan, incidentally. If they keep at it neck and neck, the Yanks will have two of the best pitchers in the league. Caldwell has been winning despite the fact that he is not in form, and when he is right the pace for Fisher is likely to be a stiff one. In none of his starts has Caldwell shown a fast ball with anything on it—his long suit when going well. He has been forced to use a curve and a slow ball, which is also a good thing, because it will help to balance his form in the future when his speed arrives.

It sounds strange to say that any team can beat the Athletics by taking advantage of their mistakes, without having to pound the ball, but that is exactly what the Yanks are doing, and, more to the point, it is the only thing that won for them yesterday. The Athletics pitchers were unsteady, and the moment they wavered the Yanks would hop in and hammer at the weak spots. On the bases they took all kinds of chances, practically running over the former world's champions, who were helpless. Bush and Bresler were so wild that the Yanks really had little chance to hit. They spent most of the afternoon walking around the bases. Between them the Athletics' pitchers gave fourteen bases, which in itself would have been enough to win an ordinary ball game with no hits at all.

The victory of the Giants over the

Phillies was a greater source of joy to Capt. Huston and Col. Ruppert than to the victory of their own club. For a week or so now they have been worrying for fear that in getting McGraw to assist them into baseball they have taken away his luck. Until they became magnates rather Capt. Huston nor Col. Ruppert ever paid any attention to the Yanks. They were dyed in the wool Giant rooters.

"But it's all right now," said the Captain last night. "We'll both win."

We have heard the remark that baseball men are not business men, but we must, at least, give Benny Kauff credit for having started on the right track. After having been sent back to the Brooklands where Mr. Ward agreed to give him the big salary that he demanded, Benny says he is going to sue the Giants for a bonus of \$5,000, or some figure like that, for having persuaded him to jump the salary that he was kicking about.

George Stallings has established peace with the umpires, and wants everybody to know it. "I did not say that Klen was the only good one," says George. "He is not much better than the rest of them—which is to say they are all pretty good."

George will hereafter impose fines on any of his players that are expelled from the games for kicking.

VETERAN LARRY LAJOIE FILLING EDDIE COLLINS'S SHOES MOST ACCEPTABLY.

Though age appears to have gripped many of baseball's most brilliant stars, Larry Lajoie is giving old Father Time and his sickle quite a battle. Think of it! Lajoie had been a star for some years before the American League came into existence, and he is still outbidding and outfielding fellows who were in their cradles when he made his famous record with the old Philadelphia Nationals.

In yesterday's game Larry figured in most of the run getting. He got three hits, including a double. Already Lajoie has made a better hitting average than Eddie Collins, the \$50,000 star who left a pair of shoes for him to fill at second.

Phillies was a greater source of joy to Capt. Huston and Col. Ruppert than to the victory of their own club. For a week or so now they have been worrying for fear that in getting McGraw to assist them into baseball they have taken away his luck. Until they became magnates rather Capt. Huston nor Col. Ruppert ever paid any attention to the Yanks. They were dyed in the wool Giant rooters.

"But it's all right now," said the Captain last night. "We'll both win."

We have heard the remark that baseball men are not business men, but we must, at least, give Benny Kauff credit for having started on the right track. After having been sent back to the Brooklands where Mr. Ward agreed to give him the big salary that he demanded, Benny says he is going to sue the Giants for a bonus of \$5,000, or some figure like that, for having persuaded him to jump the salary that he was kicking about.

George Stallings has established peace with the umpires, and wants everybody to know it. "I did not say that Klen was the only good one," says George. "He is not much better than the rest of them—which is to say they are all pretty good."

George will hereafter impose fines on any of his players that are expelled from the games for kicking.

The victory of the Giants over the

By VIC STATE CONTROL FOR ALL SPORTS FAVORED BY CHICAGO MAYOR

Plan Calls for 7-1-2 Per Cent. Tax on Everything That Yields Profit.

In the opinion of Mayor Thompson of Chicago national supervision of all sports may soon be the case of various complaints that have sprung up in different States. The Chicago Executive intends to send to the plan proposed in Illinois to have State supervision of all athletic contests to which an admission fee is proposed in an amendment to the taxing bill now before the Illinois Legislature. Mayor Thompson firmly believes that this play will be so successful that national supervision will be the next logical step.

Before the amendment was made it seemed quite probable that the bill legalized boxing in the State of Illinois would be defeated. Senator Hull of Chicago made the amendment to the original boxing measure, proposing that instead of appointing a commission for the sole purpose of regulating boxing contests throughout the State an athletic commission be appointed, to have charge of all professional sports, and that a tax for the benefit of the State and sports competitions as well be levied.

The original bill called for a tax of 7½ per cent. of the gross receipts. The amendment would make it 7½ per cent. of the net receipts of all professional contests. Half of the proceeds would go direct to the State, and the remaining sum would be used in paying instructors and coaches in baseball, football, and other sports in schools which have never been able to afford the luxury of paid instructors.

Mayor Thompson of Chicago in support of the present bill in the Illinois Senate, argued for the appointment of an athletic commission. He did not even confine himself to the State of Illinois, but announced that he would work for national supervision of all sports, with a Secretary of Athletics in the President's Cabinet.

In discussing the situation in Illinois regarding the governing of sports competitions, Lieut. Gov. O'Hara said recently:

"I think that the big ball clubs in Chicago would be willing to contribute to the State, but at the same time I believe that 7-1-2 per cent. of the gross receipts would be unpopular. Make it net and no one would object. This would not affect the minor league clubs, who do not make money. Sports that are not for profit would not be affected."

"As for boxing, that would require close supervision of the commission unless a home-rule clause be inserted. The duties of the commission would also cover racetracks, and wherever harness or running races were held for profit the State treasury would be enriched."

Order by the full name

BURKE'S GUINNESS

Look for the sign —

We sell BURKE'S GUINNESS exclusively.

Bottled by E. & J. Burke.

THUMS Bowling and Billiard Academy, 22 Allen St., Tel. 41, 42 & 43.

SPORTING.

MADISON SQ. GARDEN

Wednesday, May 5th.

JIM

COFFEY VS. REICH

2,500 SEATS AT \$1.00.

To-Night 135th St. A. C.

Battling Chuck vs. Harry Gardner.

Young O'Leary vs. Young Mandy.

Darkey Griffin vs. Young Small.

ADMISSION, 50c.

BROADWAY Sporting Club, Brooklyn, to night, World's Middleweight Championship, 10 rounds, Al McCoy vs. Rocky Kansas. Admission, 50c; reserved seats, \$1.00; table, \$2.

There Is Style, Fit and Wear in Our \$25 Suit

You will save money by having a suit made here. You will get exclusive patterns. You will get style. And you will get individual appearance not possible in ready-made clothing. A large assortment of new and attractive fabrics insures absolute satisfaction.

Suit to Measure, \$25

Broadway & 9th St.

Arnheim

EXCLUSIVELY CUSTOM-MADE CLOTHES, \$20 TO \$50.